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According to a recent Gallup poll, during the past year public support for the legalizing of homosexual relations has declined. This is the first time a majority has opposed legalization since the Gallup Poll began studying public opinion on the issue about ten years ago.

In the latest poll, 33 percent of those surveyed favored legalization while 54 percent opposed.

In an earlier related survey published last July, the Gallup Poll found that a majority of those polled approved of the recent Supreme Court ruling that the Constitution does not give consenting adults the right to have homosexual relations in private.

The findings in both these polls may reflect growing concern about the AIDS epidemic.

## US SUPREME COURT WILL DECIDE ON USE OF 'OLYMPIC'

The United States Supreme Court has agreed to decide whether or not a San Francisco gay-rights organization may call its athletic competition the "Gay Olympic Games."

The case started in 1986 when San Francisco Art and Athletics announced a set of athletic contests and named them "the Gay Olympic Games I." Participation in the games, which was open to athletes from around the world, was not, however, limited to homosexuals.

The two Olympic Committees (the United States Olympic Committee and the International Olympic Committee) sued and won a court injunction forcing the gay group to drop the word 'olympic' from the name of their games.

The organization still wants to call its events the Gay Olumpic Games and asked the United Supreme Court to overturn rulings by a District Court judge and the Court of Appeals.

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## THREAD LINES

by G. W. Lee

Can we talk common scents? As I was walking down the street the other day, someone passed me and his cologne nearly made me pass out it was so strong. Needless to say, I think a chat about colognes would be appropirate for this month's column.

One of the first rules for applying cologne is NEVER overdo it! You think you can't smell your favorite, so you add a dash more and that's where you overdo it.

A good rule is this: Another person should not be able to smell your cologne unless he/she is less than one foot away from you. Your point is not to make everybody get turned on (or off) by your scent, but rather to make a subtle statement to your loved one or the one you are trying to turn on. It's that simple.

Here are some tips for choosing and purchasing a fragrance that's right for you.

All colognes will not smell great on you mainly because of your body chemistry. We all have different body chemistries, and just because a cologne smells great on someone else does not necessarily mean it will smell great on you.

You should never smell a fragrance directly from the bottle since this is not how it will smell on you. Spray or apply a sample to the pulse point on your wrist and let it mingle for 10-20 minutes (and don't even think about smelling it before the time is up!) This gives the fragrance time to adjust to your body chemistry and results in a true smell of that scent on your body.

Although there are no 'hard and fast' rules about which fragrances are right for each occasion, here is a basic list:

FOR DAY: Herbal and citrus scents are best for active times; however, a light fresh scent works best.

FOR NIGHT: Spicy and florals work best for more casual and intimate times. Citrus is the favored formal fragrance for men.

FOR BUSINESS: Spices, leather, citrus work best for the businessman because these are the most "male" scents and are more subtle and pleasing than the rest.

FOR ROMANCE: Anything goes here, but mainly whatever turns your partner on most.

FOR SPORT: Herbals work best on the court and in the country, although citrus is favored, too.

If you have any comments, ideas, or questions about Thread Lines, please address them to : G. W. Lee—Designer/President, Designs by LEE, PO Box 4503, East Lansing, MI 48823. Until next month: Happy Shopping!

## CRANBERRIES IN WHITE PAPER CUPS

by Ann Muller

I'm lukewarm about Thanksgiving. The holiday that requires either a love of football or the kitchen skill to produce ten hot dishes at the same time has always made me feel inadequate.

In the years the children were growing up and I was working in the law office, I worked both the day before and the day after Thanksgiving. Every year as we left the office at 5 PM on Wednesday, the lawyer I worked for used to say, "So, Ann, are you going to make 'turkey with all the trimmings' tomorrow?" And every year I swallowed the answer he deserved which was "Look, dimwit, there's no way I can do 'turkey with all the damned trimmings' between now and half-time tomorrow afternoon."

Some of those years Herman, the children, and I ate our Thanksgiving dinners in restaurants where little white paper cups full of canned cranberries were combined with a paucity of leftovers to make us feel like Thanksgiving orphans.

Some years we ate with relatives and wished we were orphans. I remember, for instance, the year my brother, who had just left California one step ahead of the law, entertained us over turkey with such outrageous stories that Herman's neck and face turned red under the strain of stifled obscenities.

I also remember the first Thanksgiving both Jason and his sister were gone. Herman and I went to a so-called family restaurant where the waiter was too busy to remove the two extra place settings on our table. Throughout the meal, those empty plates and chairs served as ghost-like reminders of the absent children.

On the other hand, our Thanksgivings are improving. Last year a friend invited Herman and me to her annual Thanksgiving potluck dinner. My assignment (which sure beat serving up ten hot dishes simultaneously) was to bring a bottle of wine and enough sweet potatoes to feed eight people.

Herman wasn't sure. "Will we be the only heterosexual couple there?" he asked me. "Yes," I answered, "we probably will be." "And," he continued, "do you think I'll be the only male?" "Yes," I answered, "you probably will be." As it turned out, we were, and he would have been except for the brother of our hostess's lover who dropped in after dinner.

And from our first smell of roast turkey and the sound of one of our favorite composers on the stereo until many hours later when Herman finally pulled himself away from an engrossing conversation with another guest and we said our goodbyes, it was a great Thanksgiving.

I think I've finally accepted the idea that Thanksgiving for me and my family isn't defined by Rockwellian drawings. Our grandmother never did live over the river or through the woods, and now she lives in Fort Myer, Florida. I also think that's fine because the things for which I'm thankful this year might have surprised both Norman Rockwell and Grandma.

Without a doubt, my primary thanks this year is for Jason's good health. Beyond that, I'm thankful he was strong enough to grow up gay and whole. And because we live where Gacy and Eyler stalked gay adolescent boys, I'm thankful Jason grew up safe. I'm also glad he trusts me and his dad. The three of us could have danced a lifetime away avoiding the subject of his homosexuality; I'm glad we're not. I grew up in a family where we "didn't talk about" certain subjects, and I now believe that secrets separate. I'm also thankful for Jason's dad who has always understood about families and for little Sarah who, at four months, has brought her mom and her Uncle Jason closer than they've ever been.

I'm thankful, too, this sixth Thanksgiving after Jason came out, for the experiences that have been mine as his mother. For instance, I'm thankful for the people I love, both gay and nongay, whom I would never have otherwise met. I'm thankful for my friend who reminds me of the fragile quality of life and the importance of seeing today's joy because tomorrow's is unpredictable. I'm thankful for Jason's friend who is still a part of my life even though Jason has not lived at home for three years. And, finally, I'm thankful for the hope that we may again be included in a Thanksgiving where there are no white paper cups of canned cranberries and where somebody else copes with the gravy that refuses to thicken while everything else gets cold.


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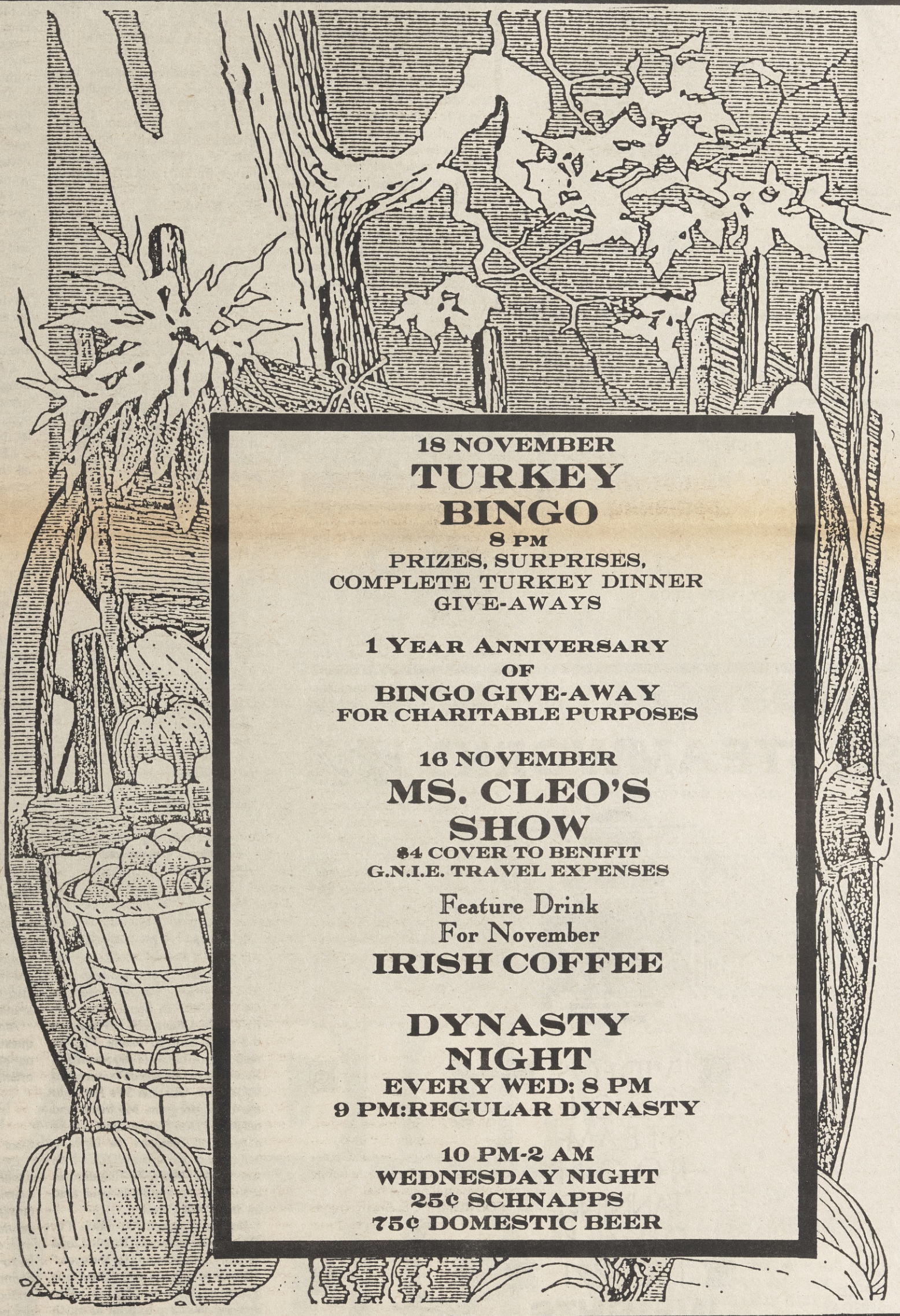

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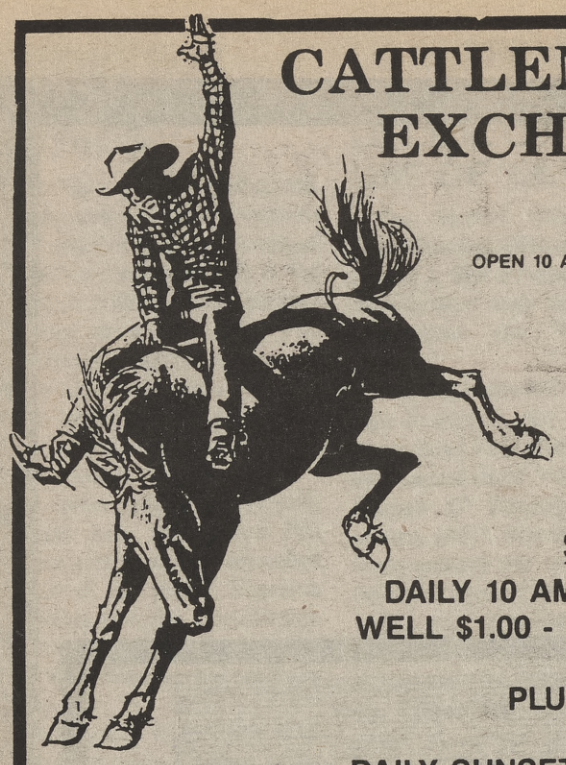

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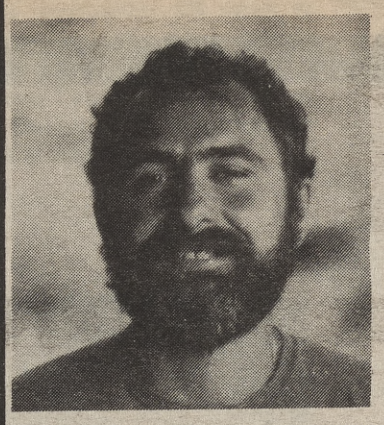

## THAT'S FAIRLY INTERESTING!

by Frank Batey

BACKWARD THINKING isn't all that bad. Particularly when the thinking is in English, of course.

Thinking both backward and forward, English fans have long come up with what are known as *palindromes*. Palindromes are interesting phenomena. They are sentences or groups of words or numbers which read the same...forward and backward...when divided in the middle.

There are a gaggle of palindromes circulating the planet which have been written by fairly interesting people and which also may lead one to believe that forward-backward thinking is fairly natty.

Alastair Reid wrote a palindromic tribute to T. S. Eliot: T. ELIOT, TOP BARD, NOTES PUTRID TANG EMANATING, IS SAD; I'D ASSIGN IT A NAME: GNAT DIRT UPSET ON DRAB POT TOILET.

No one, however, has come forward to claim credit for the ancient English palindrome: LEWD DID I LIVE & EVIL I DID DWEL.

And Napolean (who spoke French, of course) is portentously accused of leaving English students with a palindrome when the deposed emperor was asked whether he might have conquered England if he'd first won at Waterloo. Napolean's notorious answer was: ABLE WAS I ERE I SAW ELBA. (Elba being Napolean Bonaparte's island of exile after his army was defeated at Waterloo.)

Some fantasize Adam's first words (in English, of course) with Eve to have been: MADAM, I'M ADAM.

English-speaking Iranians were said to have caliph'd recently: NO EVIL SHAHS LIVE ON.

Yet one of my personal palindromes comes from a good friend from the Philippines, Carlton Parker. Parker's pearl: GATEMAN SEES NAME, GARAGEMAN SEES NAME TAG.

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FUNDEMONIUM has broken out. Readers are sending in some brilliant and delightful items of verse and worse. We'll try to feature some of your wild wit and wisdom in THAT'S FAIRLY INTERESTING. This month's pericope was sent to me by Tanka Igen Farsk. The lines were drawn, says Farsk, "to encourage readers to be *free thinkers*—unlike our world's typical fundamentalists, who rule out independent thinking."

*Fundee Sortie*

*Think egregiously*
*if you think*
*at all*

*Independently cogitate*
*on fences*
*or on walls*

*Or listen to reason*
*should reason*
*to you*

*And your imaging*
*conjure up*
*tinkering simple*

*To recollect reckoning*
*before there were pimples*
*then think again*

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If you live in Minneapolis MN, KITN-TV, Channel 29 will be airing my lackluster brief video response to Televangelist Pat Robertson on his 700 Club. In Santa Rosa, CA KFTY-TV, Channel 50 will be doing the same. And in Miami, FL, my response on behalf of gay parents to Robertson's blat will be featured on WDZL-TV, Channel 39's *Between the Lines* program. My friend and neighbor, Don Hogencamp, will be a guest on *Between the Lines*, a half-hour program on WDZL which airs in the Miami-Ft. Lauderdale area. Call the station in your area for times and dates.

But don't watch too much TV. "TV," said archetect Frank Lloyd Wright, "is bubblegum for the eyes."

Keep sending in your circuitous lines of riddles, palinodes, and palindromes. We'll try to print as much as we can in THAT'S FAIRLY INTERESTING: PO Box 8043, Palm Springs, CA 92263.

Next month...A Christmas expose'.

## HOROSCOPES!

by Dr. Pat Larr

**SCORPIO:** (Oct 23-Nov 22): Yes, it's turkey time and by month's end you'll have run through your fair share. Enjoy your giblets!

**SAGITTARIUS:** (Nov 23-Dec 21): Someone from the past returns to pat your pumpkin. This guy is no pie in the sky, so don't make mincemeat of this one.

**CAPRICORN:** (Dec 22-Jan 19): Just like Pam Ewing, you dreamed the whole thing! Wake up and smell the coffee; your special someone is cheating on you.

**AQUARIUS:** (Jan 20-Feb 18): Madness took its toll last month. Things calm down by turkey day when you meet someone who'll knock the stuffing out of you.

**PISCES:** (Feb 19-Mar 20): An amorous adventure could last longer than you bargained for. But then you always wanted someone with staying power.

**ARIES:** (Mar 21-Apr 19): Private pleasures put a strain on an existing friendship. Time to reach out and touch someone. Besides, you'd never be able to feel so good by yourself.

**TAURUS:** (Apr 20-May 20): A handsome blond shows you his horn of plenty. You'll have handfulls and handfulls to give thanks for this year.

**GEMINI:** (May 21-Jun 20): A mysterious water sign has you coming and going (with an accent of the cuming). Just don't get swept out to sea (not just yet anyway).

**CANCER:** (Jun 21-Jul 22): So many men, so little time. This month a handsome teddy bear lets you cuddle up in his ever so muscular arms.

**LEO:** (Jul 23-Aug 22): You let it all hang out for a mysterious stranger who loves you in spite of your shortcomings. Hang onto this big guy.

**VIRGO:** (Aug 23-Sep 22): Leave it to you to find a turkey on the day after Thanksgiving. But with your luck, of course, you'll do it. Just get rid of this gobbler as soon as you can.

**LIBRA:** (Sep 23-Oct 22): Your tendency to give and receive again makes you the belle of the ball. But you're blowing hot while that special somone is blowing cold.

## FAUX PAS

by Ed E. Kett

Dear Edwards,

OK, don't trust me; but I'm over 30 (way over 30). Anyway, my question is: Why is it that whenever someone straight asks me how old I am it always sounds like they are also saying, "That old? Then why aren't you married?"

Am I being paranoid, or does a question about my age also require an explanation as to my sexual orientation?

Yours,
Sly

*Dear Sly,*

*Of course they want to know whether or not you're going to get married. One of the reasons some straight people are so hostile to gay gentlemen is because gay gentlemen deny them another opportunity to partake of wedding cake and champagne. If someone is rude enough to badger a man of your distinguished years with questions about his birth, the most polite answer is a knowing smile and a simple, "I don't care to discuss it!"*

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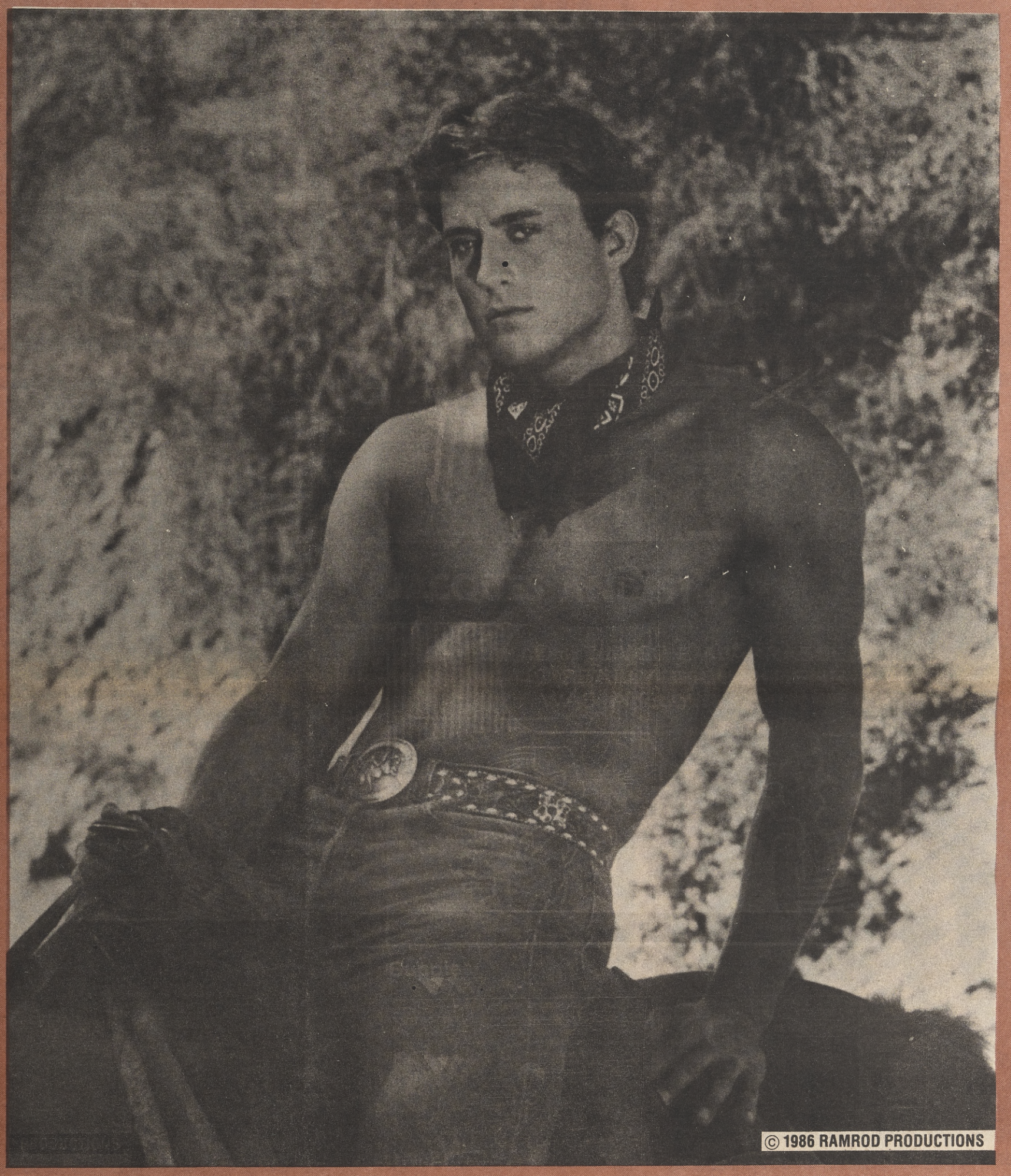

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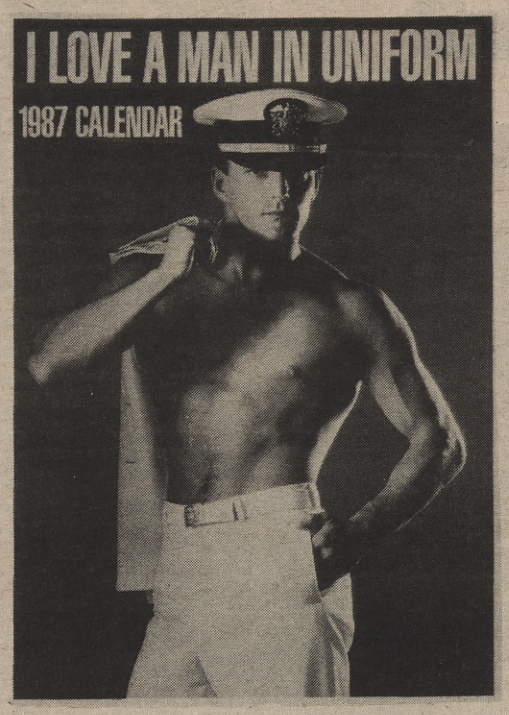


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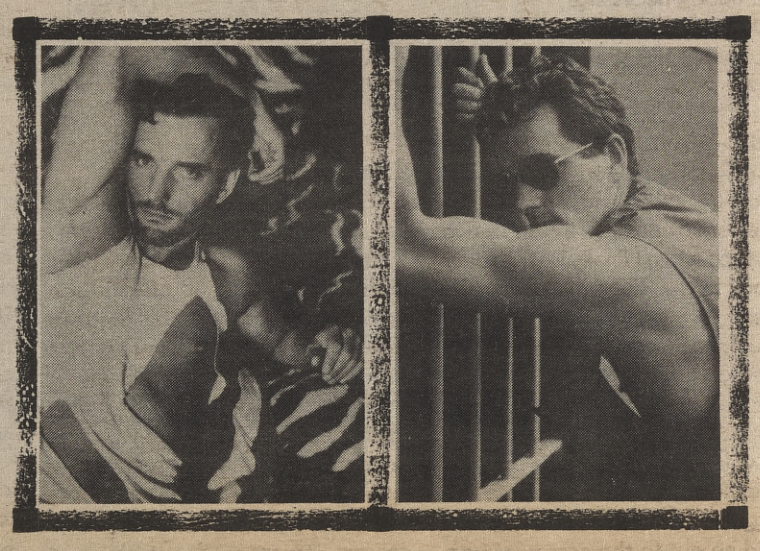

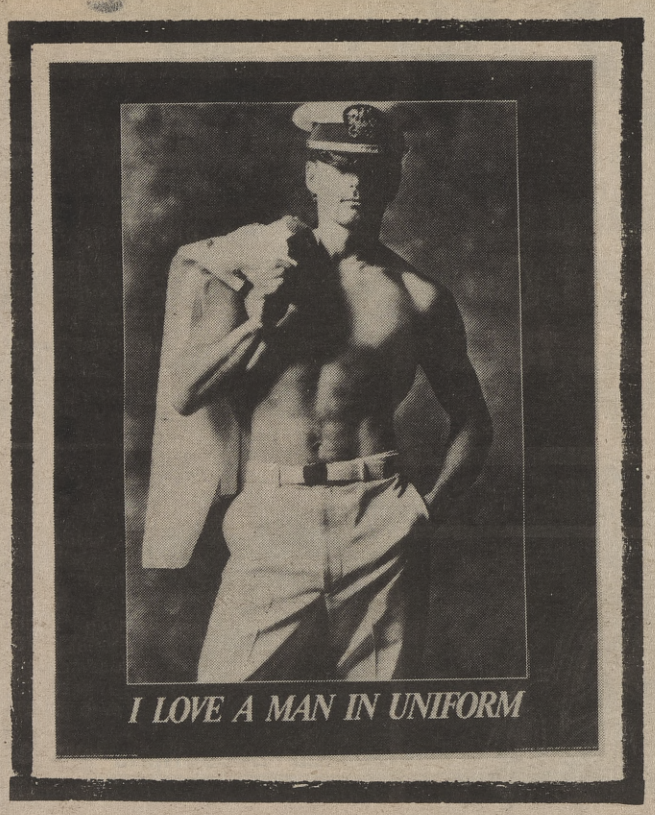


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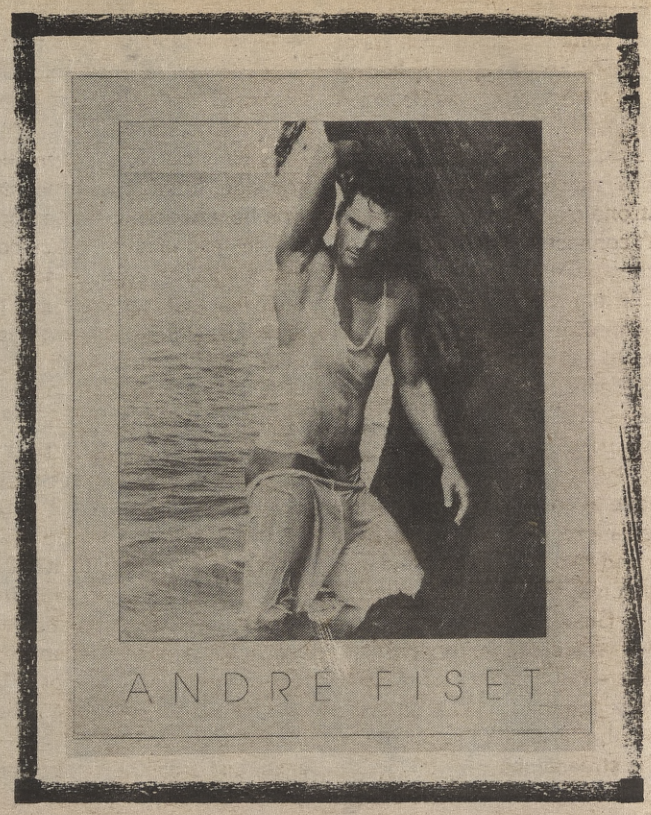


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Recently I started thinking, I don't know why, about a night about fifteen years ago when I was living in Portland, Oregon the first time.

I had a pretty regular routine then. I'd get home from work, make a pot of coffee, change clothes, pour myself a cup of brew, and lay in front of the TV and relax for awhile. Sometimes I would nap and, afterwards, I'd most likely get up and clean myself up before I fixed something to eat and prepared to go to the bars and the excitement of the nightlife in Portland.

In relative terms, of course; *that* was *before* I moved to Southern California; now, afterwards, years later, the nightlife is not excitement; it's a boring necessity!

I'd go out to the Family Zoo (for over twenty years, one of Portland's hottest bars, now closed down) where the best pool players Portland had to offer would congregate. Most nights I would sit around until I got on the table, win a half dozen games or so and have a beer or two and, then when I finally lost, go over a block to the Riptide to dance and cruise.

Hot men, hot music; there was no better combination at the time in town. Summertime and the cruisin' is easy...that was the Riptide. Most men would be doubled up by at least one o'clock; by two there were few stragglers and those who were left would go out to the corner of 10th and Stark and hang around for the cars to come by and check them out. One by one the'd get picked up and the corner would be deserted for the night.

The night I remember, the scenario was exactly the same...up to about one o'clock or so and I still hadn't connected. Last call for alcohol; then everyone was herded out and the bar closed for the night. Outside, everyone who was left started to mill around, some groups of old friends would continue their conversations, a few went home or to restaurants. I hung out with the rest, alone and cold, and waited for someone to come along and start a conversation, pick me up. I had never had to do this before and my behavior may have given my naivete away. Came three, I was the only one left standing on the corner; there weren't any more cars circling the block and the fog started to roil around the bases of the buildings and the streetlamps.

I had never been so *alone* in my life. That was when I leaned against the lamppost on the corner and burst into tears. Later, I wandered home, fell into a lonely bed and slumbered fitfully.

It was a day or two later that I came to one of the really BIG realizations of my life. Up to that point in my life, I was either pretty suave or pretty lucky; I rarely went home alone. But the incident earlier in the week made me sit up and think. The conclusion was that no matter how hot a person thinks he is, no matter how attractive and sexy he may be, no matter how polished and smooth in his deliveries, each man is *not everybody's cup of tea*!

Sly and the Family Stone said it best years later in a song: Different strokes for different folks. It took the trauma of not picking up someone, or not *being* picked up, to bring it home to me. It was real. I *didn't* appeal to everyone I had set my sights on.

AIDS has brought that home to many people: "Going out" and "picking up" don't necessarily have to equate. What the hell; if you can go out, have fun with friends or acquaintances, it's more comfortable sleeping alone anyway. So what if you don't connect with a date for the night or the weekend? It's not the end of the world; it's simply that you didn't meet anybody who happened to include *you* in his list of perfect hunks. And standards can be funny things.

So, don't worry about it; their loss anyway, right?

So that's life, it happens, tough breaks, and you're probably the better off anyway. Going home with no one is better than waking up in the morning and seeing...I fell *that* low last night? Oh, come on!

(Darin Micael Dark's *The Violet Moon Journal* can be seen by sending $1.50 and a 39-cent SASE to PO Box 1A, 9130 S.W. Oleson Rd., Portland, OR 97223. Subscriptions are $27.50 for two years, $15 for a year; checks or money orders should be made out to Darin Micael Dark.)

## BETTER BOOKS!

***Trading Secrets: Seduction and Scandal at the Wall Street Journal*** by R. Foster Winans, St. Martin's Press.

Reviewed by Paul Hanson

Journalists are in the business of selling information. They are paid by their publishers or network presidents to gather information unavailable to most people or to put well-known but little-understood facts into some sort of framework. R. Foster Winans was in the information sales biz. The ***Wall Street Journal***, the nation's largest-circulation newspaper, paid him to co-write the paper's most widely read column, "Heard on the Street", and to pack it with information about hidden currents beneath the ticker-tape tide of Wall Street. An estimated 2 million people read his information daily.

Winans also sold information on the side. It was the same information he was selling to the ***Journal***. But instead of an audience consisting of 4 million eyes, Winans' other audience had only 6 eyes, or rather ears, since this second business was conducted mostly on the telephone with a stock broker and his colleagues who hoped to profit on what Winans sold them. They paid to get information first and thereby get a jump on the market.

Selling information to the ***Journal*** earned Winans about $30,000 a year. Selling the same information to stock broker Peter Brant and his pals got Winans thirty grand in just a few months. He also got a felony conviction for violating "insider" trading laws, an 18-month jail sentence, and a $5000 fine. But he also got a guest spot on the "Today" show because he wrote a book about the information-sales game on Wall Street.

But ***Trading Secrets*** is more than an insider's view of Wall Street, or one man's version of the biggest scandal ever to rock the respected ***Wall Street Journal***. With a compelling narrative style, Winans relates how a similar desire to better themselves wrought remarkable changes in the lives of two men—himself and Peter Brant—and how when their lives collapsed, the falling debris injured two others—Winans' lover David Carpenter and Brant's longtime friend, Ken Felis.

There is more diversity than similarity in the personalities of Winans and Brant. Yet the two formed a strong bond, and that makes the story all the more compelling. Winans is gay, Brant is straight. Yet Brant seduced Winans, not into cheating on Carpenter, his lover of a decade, but on his scruples by divulging the content of "Heard on the Street" columns. The seduction depended as much on Brant's personal charm as on his promises of money for Winans. In Winans' words, Brant, the young, handsome, millionaire broker, was "courting" him, and he loved it.

By trading on Winans' information, Brant hoped to get more than money. He claimed to have assets of over $16 million and a net worth of $11 million. These figures were overstated, but Brant was still a very wealthy man. More than money, Brant wanted power and prestige—the same goals that had caused him to change his name, turn his back on his family and his Jewish heritage, and spring full-blown on the Wall Street stage. Winans' claims that all he wanted from Brant and his scheme was money to pay off some $20,000 in debts he and his lover had accumulted, perhaps to buy their apartment when the building went co-op, and later aspire to a modest place in the country. But his involvement with Brant gave Winans a taste of other pleasures—rides in his limousine, weekends at his Long Island home, and evenings at 21. These perks must have been a significant temptation for a writer who was paid a modest salary to chronicle the amassing of huge fortunes in the world's financial capital.

After a few months, the scheme began to unravel. Computers belonging to stock market watch dogs detected a link between Brant's trading habits and the information Winans was putting in his column. Both the superbroker and the rising young journalist crashed and burned.

It could be argued that Brant's fall was the greatest. The limousine with Ricardo at the wheel, the membership in the Racquet & Tennis Club on Park Avenue, the huge office—also on Park Avenue, furnished with antiques, the yacht, the helicopter commutes to the city, all were lost. But it could also be argued that those things were not Brant's to lose in the first place. In a very real sense, he had only taken an option on them and the lifestyle they represented. In Wall Street parlance, he had "sold short." When the market didn't act as he expected, he had to pay up.

Not having climbed as high on the ladder, Winans seemed to have had a shorter distance to fall. The one-bedroom apartment on East 14th Street in Manhattan has been traded for a one-bedroom apartment in Jersey City across the river. He still owes money, but to different creditors. The dream of a house in the country vanished before he and Carpenter could even close the deal. But in a different sense, he lost more. When the scandal broke, he lost his reputation as a journalist and his friends in the profession. In the aftermath of the prosecution, he lost his lover. Winans wrote in an epilogue to the book that Carpenter moved to the Midwest in an effort to put his life back together. Winans now faces an uncertain future alone. An 18-month prison term hangs over his head while the Supreme Court considers his appeal of the conviction.

***Trading Secrets*** is a book of many facets. One is the quest for power and wealth and the plush lifestyle that accrues to those who grab the brass ring and manage to hold on to it. Another facet concerns the dynamics of a decade-old relationship between two men in a straight environment. Above all, however, the book tells about the choices made and the prices paid for selling principles, both professional and personal.


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## *FAUX PAS*

by Ed E. Kett

Dear Mr. Kett,

What's going on here? Whenever I ask one of my friends to tell me about someone I'm interested in but haven't gotten up the guts to speak to yet, they almost always say something like this: "Ah, yes. He's a really humpy number. He's single; just broke up with his lover. He works at (wherever). His hobbies are (you name them). He likes (use your imagination), but he's bottom too so you two wouldn't get along. Now (whomever) is the man for you. He's top. You two would have a great time together."

Must every introduction include a list of sexual preferences? Whatever happened to the joy of discovery? I'd hate to think that my friends were telling people where I stand (lay?) on the subject of sex. Is this really gentlemanly behavior?

Sincerely,
Catlin

*Dear Catlin,*

*Edwards Endicott Kett (who is always on the top of the subject at hand) quickly got to the bottom of this one. Your friends meant well. They were just trying to save you some time and energy, but of course a true gentleman always keeps his mouth shut and lets his friends make their own mistakes.*

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NOGLSTP, the National Organization of Gay and Lesbian Scientists and Technical Professionals, publishes the educational pamphlet "Measuring the Gay and Lesbian Population." The pamplet reviews scientific research and discusses how many gay people there are in the USA and their demographic characteristics.

The pamphlet is based on research of the past four decades, from the Kinsey reports of 1948 to surveys conducted in 1986. In addition to presenting general information about the USA, the brochure also presents more detailed studies of San Francisco, Washington, D.C., and Chicago. The pamphlet covers both direct measurements of the gay population and indirect measurement through the 1980 USA census data.

The pamphlet is part of a continuing series of educational pamphlets published by NOGLSTP and is funded by the Chicago Resource Center. A previous pamphlet discusses the contributions of famous gay and lesbian scientists.

For more information, contact Joseph Schreiner, NOGLSTP President, PO Box 14138, Chicago, IL 60614; telephone (312) 908-2040.

### ZANESVILLE

In Zanesville, a gay men's support group was formed recently. Tentatively named the Zanesville Gay Organization (ZGO), it will assist local residents in accepting their sexual orientation, allow isolated gay men to meet each other, and work toward identifying and solving gay problems and concerns in the Zanesville area.

ZGO has scheduled meetings for the second Tuesday each month at 7:00 PM. ZGO may be contacted by calling (614) 455-2021.

### ALBUQUERQUE

The Brash Ensemble is beginning its sixth season of rehearsals at the First Congregational Church at Girard and Lomas, Sundays from 7-9 PM. In addition to such songs as "Calendar Boy" and "Knocking Pneumonia and the Boogie-Woogie Flu," the group is learning traditional Christmas music and plans to sing for Common Bond's annual Christmas program schedued for December 14.

New members are especially welcome at rehearsals. A strong sight reader will be available on each vocal part at each rehearsal to assist new members in learning parts. CAll (505) 296-9215 for more information.

### MINNEAPOLIS

The Speak Up and Out toastmasters club is now actively seeking new members. The purpose of "toastmasters" is to help members express their thoughts, ideas, and opinions and to develop leadership potential.

The Speak Up and Out club provides an enthusiastic, friendly, and supportive environment where gay women and men can learn.

Club meetings include "Table Topis," designed to give members on-the-spot speaking practice needed to handle everyday situations. Individually prepared talks provide experience in effective speech techniques, and constructive evaluation gives the speaker the audience's reactions.

The Speak Up and Out club was organized in 1985 and currently has 17 members. The club was the second gay and lesbian toastmasters club to be chartered by Toastmasters International.

For more information, call Marie at (612) 872-0536 or Randy at 872-1782.

### RHYOLITE

Headlines, around the world: "Restoration at Rhyolite," "Gay Group to Tackle Rhyolite"; yet to come "Lesbians and Gays Establish City Government!"

The first residents have already arrived in Stonewall Park at Rhyolite, Nevada. The first "town meeting" was scheduled.

Stonewall Park at Rhyolite, the first Gay and Lesbian city fully controlled, owned, and operated by the gay community, has become a reality. For information, write Stonewall Park, City of Rhyolite, 2 West Nevada Street, Rhyolite, NV 89003.

### WASHINGTON, D.C.

William and Mary GALA (Gay and Lesbian Alumni) recently announced that homecoming activities in Williamsberg, Virginia, will coincide with Homecoming '86 of the College of William and Mary, November 15 and 16. The W & M GALA activities will be co-sponsored with the William and Mary student organization, the William and Mary Lesbian and Gay Union.

For informatin, write William and Mary GALA, PO Box 15141, Washington, D.C. 20003 or call W & M GALA Coordinator at (202) 462-7023.

### LOS ANGELES

The Southern California Chapter of the National Association of Lesbian/Gay Alcoholism Professionals (NALGAP) meets periodically in the Los Angeles area. The meetings are open to any professional interested in learning about gay substance-abuse problems and treatment. For example, the group recently saw the award-winning film: "Whispers," which dramatizes the coming-out process.

For more information about NALGAP, call Bob Kajdan at New Beginnings: (213) 201-6730.

### EVANSTON

Affirmation: United Methodists for Lesbian/Gay Concerns is expanding its work in the lesbian/gay community and in the United Methodist Church. The organization will increase its organizing efforts across the United States, begin work for the 1988 General Conference of the United Methodist Church, and strengthen the Reconciling Congregation Program through which local United Methodist churches affirm their commitment to ministries with all persons including gay women and men.

Affirmation groups have been growing across the United States. In the last 18 months, the number of Affirmation groups has tripled, from 7 to 21. In addition, a special conference is planned for Kansas City in early March 1987. At that meeting, participants will work to build contacts among gay women and men with other United Methodists in the central United States. Emphasis will be put on developing a stronger Affirmation presence in Missouri, Kansas, southern and central Illinois, Iowa, and Nebraska.

### ST LOUIS

The U.S. Court of Appeals in St. Louis recently declared that a St. Louis ordinance which prohibited cross dressing and "lewd and indecent" behavior was unconstitutional. An ACLU attorney, Arlene Zarembke, who represented plaintiffs in the lawsuit, stated: "This case is a major victory for those who are gay or sexually different in any way. The cross-dressing portion of the ordinance was used by police to harass transvestites and transsexuals, while the lewd and indecent portion of the ordinance has been used routinely in the city to raid gay bars."

### CLEVELAND

The Commissioners of Cuyahoga County (Cleveland), the most populated county in Ohio, recently unanimously added sexual orientation to their criteria for nondiscrimination in county government. The three-member commission acted in response to a petition presented by members of the Eleanor Roosevelt Gay Political Club (ERGPC), the political arm of the Cleveland Lesbian and Gay community, who requested inclusion of sexual orientation to the affirmative-action plan of the County.

Gerald Bores, president of ERGPC, stated: "This is the most significant political achievement for the gay and lesbian community in the state of Ohio since Governor Richard Celeste banned discrimination based on sexual orientation in state government in 1983."

### AUSTIN

The Texas Lesbian/Gay Community Resource Conference wil" be held January 24 and 25, 1987 i.. Austin, Texas.

Organizers of the conference believe that in order to further gay rights, the grassroots community needs to become involved. It is hoped that gay minority organizations, gay political/non-political organizations will become involved and help create a strong network.

Workshop topics will include building alliances (gay and non-gay), local and state group outreach, fund raising, media networking, and media watch.

Persons interested in working on a committee or attending the general meeting should contact (in San Antonio) Patrick Lombrano at (512) 734-2228, or (in Austin) Jon Farmer at (512) 320-8374.

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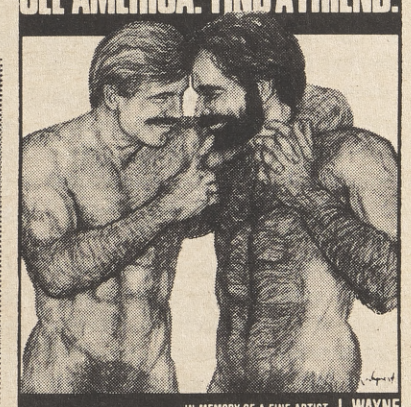

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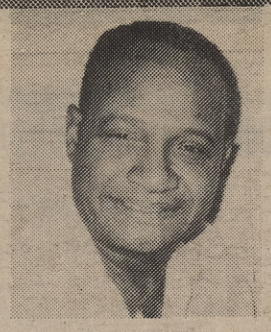

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## VIEWS FROM RIVER CITY

### *SACRAMENTO*

I wish to announced the existence of a newly formed local group: The Capital City Social Club. Capitol City Social Club is a non-political, non-profit organization founded for the sole purpose of giving those in our gay society opportunities to meet new people, to make new friends, to socialize, and to be entertained in a respectable manner. For further information regarding The Capital City Social Club (which will be having a series of potlucks in the future), please call (916) 483-5785...What we anticipate seldom occurs; what we least expect generally happens. This is not always true, however. In the case of the adventure we took recently on The Royal Barge down through the delta, sponsored by our new Duke, Alli and our new Duchess, LaKish, what we anticipated occurred. And, what we expected, happened. What we expected was a good time. That we had. What an experience. You have not lived until you take one of those barges down the delta. Some of the highlights of the event: We didn't realize that our Duchess has always been a city boy; so first of all we had to introduce her to flora & fauna. We were surprised that she had never met them. For instance: She did not know that broccoli and asparagus grew on trees; she thought wool came from chickens. She knows now! The day started with a good note. We had breakfast at The Merc in celebration of the 9th anniversary. After that, we loaded into three vans, proceeded down to the marina to board The Royal Yacht for our Sunday cruise down the delta. Our destination was to sail to a little island named "Lost Isle." I don't know if you're familiar with Lost Isle; but a few decades ago, this island was a movie set. The movie: "Wake of The Red Witch." It was made to look like an island in Tahiti. MGM was gracious enough to leave the set. It is now a recreational spa. The only way to get there is by boat. Well, we got there, went aboard, proceeded right to the bar. Wouldn't you know it! Sitting at the bar when we arrived were these men with red bands around their necks (you know what I mean?), loud & boistrous (good ole boys)! Oh, you have to know this before I go any further. While we were on The Royal Barge coming over to the island, our Duchess was trying on costume jewelry that someone had brought aboard. Lo and behold! She forgot that she had the jewelry on when she went aboard. So there we are, sitting at this bar, when one of the men with the red band around his neck (if you know what I mean, and you do) approached one of our passengers, proceeded to say, "Why is that man wearing earrings?" Our passengers replied, "Because he likes them." The Red Bandit replied, "I have seen men wear one earring, but not two." Our passengers replied, "Well, he likes to keep everything balanced. That's why he is wearing two earrings." The Red Bandit would not give up; he then asked, "Why is he wearing that necklace?" Our passengers replied, "Oh, I forgot to tell you, he likes wearing necklaces, too." The redneck finally withdrew in amazement with the statement, "Oh, hell, I'm a liberal; I'll go along with anything." So the event was over and a good time was had by all of the island. On our way back, one of our male passengers decided to dress up in an original dress made completely out of Milar. Well, upon docking, he immediately became the rage of the marina. One woman, in a complete daze, went up to him and with a very low, concerned voice asked, "Why are you dressed like that? Our Milar Model without hesitation said, "Because I hate ironing." Well, we all just about lost it at that point. One man came up in good spirits and invited him to his next party. As you can see, we really had a fun day...Now let's see what's in store for us during November... Thanksgiving Day the Merc will have a buffet starting at 1:00 PM...The Buffalo Club will have their Thanksgiving Dinner (the whole shmear) starting at 6:00 PM...Check with the Western; they have something in store for you at Thanksgiving time...In fact, I wish you would check with the remaining gay bars in town and see what they have lined up for you during November. I tried to get this info for you, but to no avail...Listen, out there, if you want me to mention in my column what's going on in your bar, please get it to me by the 20th of every month...

### *STOCKTON*

Imperial politics are presently dominating the gay scene in Stockton. After the fall of the Pearl Court of the San Joaquin Delta Empire, C.G.N.I.E. (as Suzerain) proclaimed the Dominion of the Delta, as provided in the Proclamation of 1974. In an exclusive interview with Charlie Preston, the Viceroy (called Visitor Imperial in the Dominion), the Patlar asked about the "most difficult area of the Empire to administer."

PATLAR: Your Excellency, what is this talk about a rebellion?

VICEROY: There is a small group of disgruntled persons, who represent a small section of the gay community, led by a well-known, untitled, misguided local drag queen whom I certainly shall not identify (and deservedly so). As members of that group are completely unsanctioned, they are truly renegades and cannot be supported by any official Court.

PATLAR: Does C.G.N.I.E. have "imperial designs" on Stockton?

VICEROY: Absolutely not. Every effort is being made to further community building with the intention of restoring the Stocktonian monarchy as soon as responsible parties can be identified. All they will have to do is to request independence, win elections to the throne, and independence will be automatically granted.

PATLAR: You speak of "community building," yet the well-known drag queen you refer to is quoted as saying "nothing ever happens in Stockton. Nothing is going on."

VICEROY: Yes, that is interesting, isn't it? The fact of the matter is that a lot does go in Stockton. The Dominion sponsored Our Delta City Family, which has grown to be the largest social group in town. Their next potluck, by the way is November 14 at the home of Russel (call their Director, Bob, at 464-2485 for directions.) The Viceroy attends MCC services at 2737 Pacific Avenue on Sundays at 6:00 PM. They have tripled in size and now have Bible Study Wednesdays 7-9 PM. Their Men's Ministry meets Thursdays at the Anderson Y at 7 PM. The AIDS Foundation now works closely with the AIDS Foundation in Sacramento (the C.G.N.I.E. capital). And the Dominion is presently assisting in the founding of two more organizations: The Delta City Business Association and the Delta City Gay Mental Health Professionals.

PATLAR: Will there be a "coronation" in Stockton in January?

VICEROY: There are no official plans to hold such an event. Since this is G.N.I.E. territory, the Empire is the only legal authority on this subject. It is my hope that all this talk of rebellion will soon end, and then we can get on with the more important job of community building.

### *SAN FRANCISCO*

The Defense Department recently offered to reinstate a San Francisco woman who was demoted when she acknowledged being a lesbian.

The offer came on the same day that Jean Kovalich, 33, filed a suit in U.S. District Court in San Francisco charging the federal government with discrimination.

Kovalich came to the Defense Investigative Service's office at the Presidio of San Francisco three years ago from its Columbus, Ohio office where she had spent 12 years screening security-clearance applicants. In February, she was demoted and transferred to a statistical-analysis job in Washington.

The demotion followed a routine security investigation of Kovalich during which the Department learned she is gay.

### *RENO*

Shuttle Night 86 is scheduled for December 1, 1986. The event is designed to create something new and exciting for the gay community of Reno and to raise funds for people who need our help at the Nevada AIDS Foundation. However, the function is not for Reno alone, and organizers hope that people from other communities will join in the fun.

Shuttle Night will run shuttles constantly between eight bars, using two routes.

Route Green will run from The 1099 down Virginia north to Second, west on Second to West Street to The Five Star, down South on Arlington, west on California Street on up Mayberry Drive to The Outback, east down Fourth to McKarren, left on McKarren to 7th, east on 7th down University and right on Valley to The Rumpus Room and will then move south down Wells to Virginia, turning north on Virginia to the 1099.

Route Orange will run in the opposite direction starting from The Chute down Vassar, north on Kietzke and left on Fourth to the Ice House, continuing from there down West Fourth out to Visions. Then it will turn around and go east on Second to Arlington, down Arlington to Commercial and The Bar West. Finally, the route travels down South Arlington to Mt. Rose and back to the Chute. Riders are welcome to get off anywhere along the route, but the shuttle will not go out of the way and will not pick up any riders along the route.

Shuttle tickets can be purchased at any bar for 75¢. The proceeds go to The AIDS Foundation and Shuttle Game Tickets can be purchased for 50¢. Shuttles will run from 7:00 PM until 4:30 AM. Shuttle maps and shuttle game rules will be available in all gay bars in Reno.

All bars will offer a Shuttle Special cocktail that can be purchased for $1, and the proceeds go to the AIDS Foundation. Each bar will offer a prize in the Shuttle Game.

### *SAN ANTONIO*

Lesbian/Gay Rights Advocates (LGRA) is a statewide gay lobbying group. It was formed to help elminate social, legal, and economic discrimination based on sexual orientation.

Activities of the group include conferences and lobbying efforts in the Texas Legislature.

All interested individuals and organizations are invited to participate. For more information, call Pat Cramer at (512) 473-9473.

### *SAN LEANDRO*

AIDS is striking Latino men, women, and children at twice the expected rate. In fact, one in seven people with AIDS is Latino.

A forum on "AIDS in the Latino Community," sponsored by Centro Hispano at St. Leander's Church and the AIDS Project of the East Bay, will take place on Sunday, November 16 from 12:30-3:45 PM at Ryan O'Connell Hall of St. Leander's Church, 474 West Estudillo at San Leandro Boulevard in San Leandro. The forum will be conducted in Spanish.

Issues to be covered will include: what AIDS is and how it is transmitted; how we can protect ourselves and our families from getting AIDS; guidelines for children in the schools; talking about AIDS with your children; and, what we need to do as a community about this health creisis.

For further information, call Corinne Lightweaver at (415) 420-8181 or for information in Spanish, call Hector Victoria at (415) 261-1538.

# GAY HEALTH AND WELL BEING

by David P. Steward

This article on gay men's health, to the casual reader, may seem not to be about health at all, unless one accepts the word "health" in its fullest meaning, to encompass physical, emotional, and spiritual health.

Psychologist Abraham Maslow spoke of the highest level of functioning as "self actualization." Erik Erikson, correspondingly, lists the highest stage of development the creation of one's own reality, becoming, in a sense, "co-creators" with the Divine. A common thread runs through these theories that we are not passive victims, subject to Divine (or human) whims. We are as helpless as we believe we are.

To most enlightened health practitioners, health is no longer seen as freedom from illness and from symptoms, but rather, signifies optimum functioning in all spheres of one's life. Freud spoke of life consisting of three parts: love, work, and play. How rarely we bring together all these parts of our lives. We seem to be either working all the time, or "in love with love," and at other times, unable to stop playing. The key to good life, and to good health, seems to be "balance," which often goes the way of many good intentions. Much of the beauty written about, photographed, and talked about in the gay community is from the outside in. It is regrettable that little attention is given to beauty from the inside out. I hope that my process of maturing as a human being, while unlikely to stop me from seeing exterior beauty, will bring me to see the inner beauty that is immortal.

It seems tautological to say that without survival there is no health. It is our survival as much as our health that is being threatened on several fronts right now. In just the last few weeks, the Supreme Court has said that the constitutional right to privacy does not extend to us. The Justice Department has decreed that those suspected of having AIDS (whatever that means) can be fired without recourse. Wm. F. Buckley, Jr. says that people with AIDS should be tattooed. And recently a man who very well may be a liar, a racist, and a homophobe has been confirmed as Chief Justice of the United States.

In the face of all this, much of the gay community is unconcerned. They say, as did Jews in early Nazi Germany, "there are too many of us, they can't kill us all." (Six million people, including at least 250,000 homosexuals were killed by the Nazis.) To say that such a holocaust cannot happen here is very naive, indeed. Justice Mosk of the California Supreme Court recently said that if the Bill of Rights were put to a public vote, it would be soundly defeated. I used to be amazed at stories of the victims of The Holocaust passively taking a bar of soap and walking into the showers knowing that they were not showers, but gas chambers. I see much of this kind of passivity in our gay community, I'm sad to report.

"I'm not political." Will gay people say this while they are being herded into concentration camps?

"I'm not political." Will gay people say this when we are sent to prison for sexual activity in their own bedrooms with other consenting adults of the same sex?

"I'm not political." Will this be heard while candidates for public office are being asked to swear allegiance to the Bible (as interpreted by the fundamentalists), rather than to the Constitution?

It was not long ago that in Santa Clara County in California, so-called Christians were sporting bumper stickers that said, "Kill A Queer For Christ." And a local leader of the Moral Majority said that he agreed with the injunction in Leviticus that he (mis)interpreted to require the death of all homosexuals. Ordinances A and B in Santa Clara County failed for a variety of reasons, not the least of which was that a large number of the gay people with talent, position, and money were into the Four Bs: beaches, bars, baths, and bushes.

For gay people, there has always been a thin line between therapy and politics. The thin line is even thinner in the world of AIDS. I have long seen much "depression" as the lack of "expression." And the treatment for this "oppression" that often presents itself in gay people may be street or organizing therapy, as well as couch therapy. "Organize, don't agonize," Saul Alinsky used to say.

It was Dr. Howard Brown, Mayor Lindsay's Health Department Director, who said that "walking down the middle of the street with my lover, Thomas, at the Christopher Street Gay Parade, was worth more than ten years of therapy for me."

Don't minimize the value of fighting back to feel better emotionally and physically. I see our community as strong, talented, versatile, and valuable. Paradoxically, it is our oppressors who offer us the platform to teach the world who we are.

In Greek, the word for "crisis" is the same word for "opportunity." Let us not fail to see the opportunity in this time of trial and crisis.

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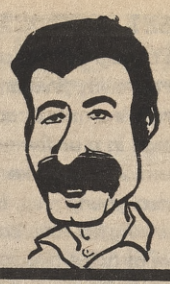

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## COLORADO'S OTHER CITIES

Colorado, with an average elevation of 6000 feet, is the highest state in the Union. It is also spectacularly beautiful. Nearly everyone knows the exciting city of Denver—if for no other reason than seeing it on TV's soap opera "Dynasty." Others are familiar with Colorado's great ski resorts like Aspen, Vail, Breckenridge, and Broadmore. (Incidentally, if you are going to Breckenridge, approximately 100 miles west of Denver and Colorado Springs, be sure to check out the Bunk House, longtime friends and advertisers in the Address Book.)

Now to Colorado's other largest cities: Colorado Springs, Pueblo, and Boulder.

The Pike's Peak region, surrounding Colorado Springs, is one of America's most popular resort areas. It began nearly seventy years ago when the world-famous Broadmore Hotel was built, a playground for the wealthy and celebrated who arrived in their own private railroad cars. Today, with a population of 225,000, it is the second largest city in the state and by far the most interesting after nearby Denver which is only 60 miles to the north.

Numerous tourist attractions such as Pike's Peak, the Royal Gorge, Cripple Creek, Manitou Springs, Garden of the Gods, Pike's Peak Cog Railway, Cave of the Winds, picturesque ghost towns, Pro-rodeo Hall of Champions, Mt. Manitou Incline, Ski Broadmore, and the U.S. Figure Skating Hall of Fame can be found. Colorado Springs is also the proud home of the U.S. Airforce Academy and its unique cadet chapel. Annual events include the Pike's Peak Hill Climb on the fourth of July, Pike's Peak or Bust Rodeo in August, and the great Pike's Peak Balloon Race over Labor Day weekend.

Colorado Springs is a real fun bar town, especially weekends. There are several gay places, but the biggies are the Exit and the Hide & Seek. The latter complex at 512 W. Colorado is a hot men's establishment with several bars, disco dancing, a game room, and occasional shows. Enter from the supervised parking lot in the rear. The Exit at 2028 Sheldon is 1½ blocks southeast of Colorado Avenue and 29th Street. This fun establishment attracts a diversified crowd. Women like the 2735 Club on E. Yampa while kids, 18 through 21, prefer the Annex t 1807 De Paul. The popular and cruisy bookstore in town is the First Amendment at 220 E. Fillmore, an emporium catering to one's needs and fantasies.

Just around the corner from the Exit is a fun restoration called Old Colorado City. Henri's Bar and restaurant is not necessarily renowned for their Mexican food, but attracts a certain older clientele during the cocktail hour. They are located at 2427 W. Colorado.

Straight dining in "The Springs" can be chancy. Best bets include La Petitie Maison, Finn's, Red Cloud Inn, London Grill at the Antlers, Steaksmith, Zebe's, and the historic Briarhurst Manor in Manitou Springs. The Broadmore is still one of the twelve best resorts in America, but I prefer the centrally located Antlers Plaza, a good new downtown highrise.

Pueblo, with a population of just over 100,000, is Colorado's third largest city. It began as a crossroads for indians, fur traders, and early Spanish explorers. I'm sure it was much more interesting then. Today it is a dull manufacturing city with little to offer except the State Fair in late August. The only gay bar is El Chaparral at 217 E. Northern, a disco that elicits mixed emotions. If you have to go to Pueblo, stay at the Holiday Inn and try Top O' the Town for dining. Places of interest, if you'll pardon the expression, include Mineral Palace Park and the University of Southern Colorado.

Boulder, just 30 miles northewest of Denver, is a pretty little city and the gateway to Rocky Mountain National Park. It has a population of nearly 100,000, but the average age is thirty and the median disposable annual income is $25,000. Thus youth and pride is manifest in a laid-back ambiance which appreciates physical fitness. Boulder enjoys a wealth of cultural activity including the Philharmonic Orchestra, Music Festival, and Summer Shakespearian Festival.

The home of the University of Colorado has two gay bars. The Boulder Express, located in a shopping center at 2075 30th Street is the 'super' disco with dancing and video. C.J.'s Fort at 2850 29th Street is an alternative, friendly neighborhood bar with a pool table. The News Stand t 1720 15th Street offers books and a cruisy aracade. I stay at the Broker Inn where brass headboards, pink sheets, and flocked wallpaper resemble a Victorian house of ill repute. The Flagstaff House is a must for straight dining. It is dressy and expensive but has wonderful food and a marvelous view of Boulder. Also try The Broker, Greenbriar, and Black Bear Inn, twenty miles north in Lyons.

When Katherine Lee Bates visited Colorado in 1893, she was inspired to write 'America The Beautiful,' the opening lines of which are: "O beautiful for spacious skies, for amber waves of grain...for purple mountain majesties above the fruited plain." This really is God's Country. Winter has wonderful skiing, while summer, fall, and springtime in the Rockies offer hiking, horseback riding, swimming, hunting, fishing, tennis, rafting, and other sports. Cruising may be better in Denver, but don't overlook Colorado's other interesting cities.

(For more detailed information, pick up a copy of the BOB DAMRON ADDRESS BOOK '87, America's foremost travel guide, available at most better bars, baths, and bookstores throughout America. Or send $14 for your copy (which includes postage and handling) to BOB DAMRON ENTERPRISES, INC., PO Box 14-077, San Francisco, CA 94114. Also available is the SPARTACUS, International Gay Guide at $25.)

## "AT WORK"

### *CLOSE ENCOUNTERS OUTSIDE OF WORK*

by Stephen Dolainski
and Stephen Husa

It's your first time in a gay bar in weeks. Because you're not open about your gayness, you've driven to the next town to avoid being seen in the wrong place at the wrong time.

You're enjoying your drink, the music, the colorful atmosphere, when you're stopped cold by the sudden appearance of someone you recognize from work. Your first instinctive reaction may be to turn tail and run; that is, to quickly slip out the nearest exit, hoping you've seen the other person before he's seen you. As you drive away, you vow never to go to that bar again.

Those of us who are closeted at work or who live in more conservative communities outside major metropolitan areas run the risk of such encounters every time we venture out into a publicly gay environment. The specifics and the degree to which we react to them may vary, but the theme is the same: We've been caught!

Or have we? Is our escape response merely a conditioned automatic reaction of habit or a necessary tactic to preserve our job security?

How harmful could such an innocent encounter really be? In most cases, it is probably safe to acknowledge the presence of a co-worker. After all, you both are there and, most likely, both know it, so what harm is there in just walking up and saying "hello?" The other person may turn out to be a decent sort and, at best, might be someone you could incorporte into your personal support network in the office. (He also might be a good dancer.) At worst, you won't become fast friends with this person. You'll both go your separate ways, and you'll have lost nothing.

If you maintain a straight image at work for whatever reason, then it's understandable why you might be reluctant to acknowledge your gayness even to another gay person in a gay environment. But consider that you might be putting yourself in an even more awkward position by avoiding the other person. To be sure, you're sending crossed signals. But you might also be encouraging resentment or hostility, particularly if yours is a supervisory or managerial position at work. In that case, it would be better to speak to the other person and, without belaboring the point, frankly express your concerns about your image. That way you clear up any crossed signals you may have been sending. You may also learn something valuable from the person about how others perceive you at work.

Confidentiality is an issue of growing concern for most of us these days. If it is for you and you're worried that a close encounter would be compromising for you professionally, acknowledging the other person is still probably the best course. Discuss the issue with the other person. It would be hard for another gay person not to at least understand your concerns; indeed, the person may share your concerns. You both could benefit from this chance meeting.

Trying to avoid or ignore someone you're familiar with when you run into them unexpectedly is always an awkward experience. It's particularly uncomfortable when the encounter is perceived as potentially threatening, as in this case, to job security.

But if a job is so insecure as to be jeopardized by the chance meeting of a co-worker in a gay bar, it's quite likely that other, less sensational "indiscretions" would be threatening, too. The stress associated with that kind of pressure seems unwarranted. It may be time to reevaluate personal priorities and job expectations.

Besides the personal satisfaction you will likely receive from handling these situations in a straightforward manner, you can possibly benefit professinally. Good working relationships with co-workers are essential for job success. Developing mutual respect and admiration for gay co-workers seems like a good place to start, on or off the job.


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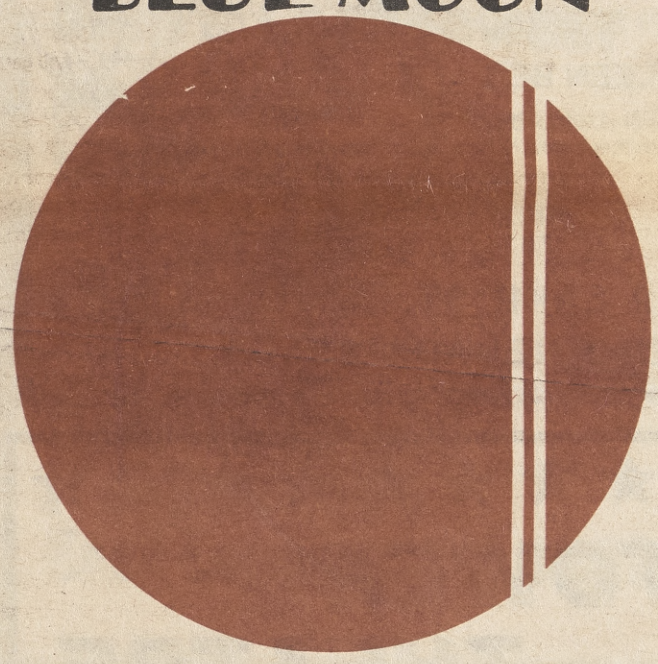

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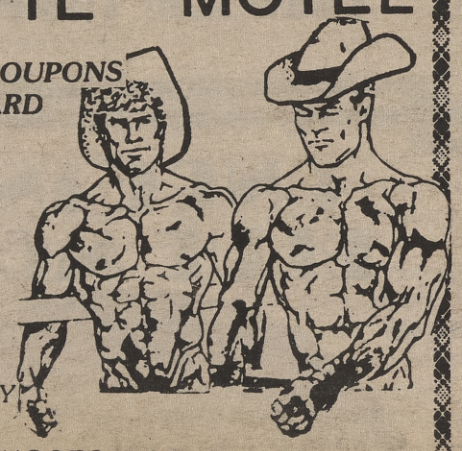

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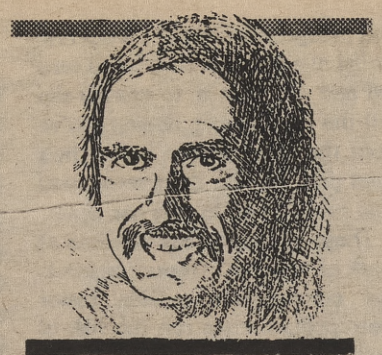

# RALPH

## and there is more...

by Ralph H. Walker

I once heard a highly capable therapist say to someone: "The most powerful two words in the language are 'so what?' I could not agree more!

You just crashed your car? So what?

The new car you bought with the insurance settlement is a Jaguar? So what?

You've just met the absolutely perfect mate? So what?

My company is really doing an incredible job of serving people! So what?

This firm I work for is a bunch of crooks! So what? I once saw an est trainer spend a whole morning of a Review training responding to every single "share" that anyone stood up to tell about—the wonders and horrors in their lives—with just those two words: "So what?"

Why would a caring therapist and a dedicated est trainer be so ruthless and cruel as to use those words to respond to the profoundly distressing drama of people's lives? How could anyone be so insensitive?

Well, I suggest that you might want to turn therapist yourself, and begin to respond to anything/-everything that comes up in your life with a great big "So what?" For that is the enlightened response to anything that happens in the world. That is the very top level of non-attachment. And the great teacher, Buddha, said that all of our suffering comes from attachment. That means, our attachment to having things come out a certain way.

For, you see, any time you experience grief or disappointment or great joy and excitement, you are RE-acting to the way things are. And, you are operating on the assumption that they must be a certain way. New cars and perfect lovers and fine and public-service-oriened businesses are good. And crashed cars, departing lovers, and dishonest corporations are bad. Why, of course everyone knows that!

NOPE! Everyone (or almost everyone) believes that, and in that belief lies all of the pain and suffering and anguish of the world. And, most importantly, therein lies all of your pain and suffering. For if you could only learn to respond, automatically, with a "So what?" to each and every event in your life you would be....

Well, do you really want to know? You'd be ENLIGHTENED! And, do you know what else? You would be viewing the world, or "holding it in mind" exactly as God, The Force, the Infinite Creator, or evolution (or whatever you wish to call the big WHAT IS) sees it. Without judgement.

"Judge not, lest you be judged." That was the way the man from Galilee put it.

Whoa, Ralph, that is going too far!

I one time heard the beautiful teacher Krishnamurti talk. The theme of his lecture was meditation, and he went to great lengths to make a case for the fact that meditation was not just something that you did in twenty minutes, two times a day (as TM instructs), but is rather a way of experiencing the world. "It is," he said, "simply being in the world without judgement."

There is clearly no single lesson on the path to our own fulfilment and ENLIGHTENMENT that is more important, and more difficult to finally fully accept, than this one. You should be assured that I'm still working on it, and have been for many years. It can be said quite simply:

"The enlightened being is like the Creator in that he views the world totally without judgement."

Go look up the story of The Fall in the Old Testament and also bother to check what it actually says happened when Eve and Adam ate the fruit (my Bible doesn't say it was an apple; I just looked it up: Genesis, Chapter Three.) It is very important that you note precisely what the words of the serpent were when he spoke to Eve. He told Eve that if only they would eat of that tree they would be "as Gods, knowing good and evil."

That's where it all began, according to the Bible story. That was why they were cast out of the Garden of Eden! That is when they discovered shame at their nakedness and sewed fig leaves together and made themselves aprons. That is where they (and all of us ever since) began to be ashamed and afraid of our genitals.

But what, then, is the point of all of this? It is very simple. You live in perfect bliss until you have knowledge of good and evil.

But what if this were true? What if you began to move out of this right/-wrong game? You can begin to experience as Jesus did; when someone asked him how many times they must forgive another, he replied "Seventy times seven." That's four hundred and ninety times! How many have you forgiven your lover for leaving that dirty dish in the sink? Or for putting the toilet paper roll on the wrong way? Or failing to put the toilet seat down (or up)?

For when you can finally begin to know that at the highest level—at the level of God, the level of enlightenment, the level where peace, love and joy are all that is—there simply is no right or wrong, and that it is, ultimately, equally as silly as where the toilet seat is, or whether the toilet paper comes off of the top of roll or off of the bottom, then you are beginning to "dance in the light", as Shirley McClaine titled her last book. You are in the enlightened space.

Someone, speaking of their relationship, put this whole issue of right and wrong in a nutshell when they said, "I finally realized that there was no right or wrong; they both just are." You can make room for that "are" with a lot of "So whats."

If you'll really search back through all of your memory banks for those moments or hours in which you existed in total bliss, you can observe that during that period of time you had totally suspended your concepts of right or wrong and allowed yourelf simply to be.

That's it! That is the Enlightened space!

...and there is more!

Yes, we will have more about this next time, for it is the toughest lesson of them all on your path toward the peace, love, and joy that Enlightenement, or bliss, is.

Ralph H. Walker, Ed.D., is creator of The Loving Brotherhood. He also developed The ALL NEW YOU Experience. The next offering of The YOU will be in Sussex, November 22d and 23d. For more information, write to PO Box 556P, Sussex, NJ 07461 or telephone (201) 875-4710.


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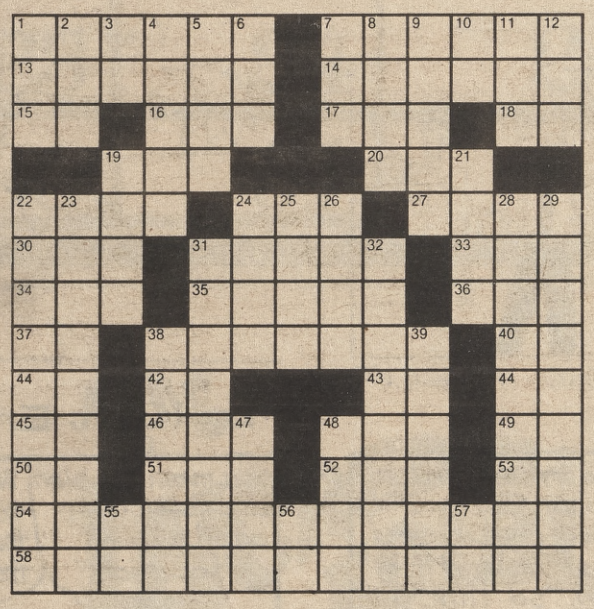

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14. Scotland
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17. Extravagant
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20. Posterior
22. Employ
24. Shake inits.
27. Brain tissue
30. Single
31. Toad condition
33. River islet
34. Explosive
35. Farewell (Fr.)
36. Ultimate degree
37. Thee (Fr.)
38. Lion's movie perch (word, inits.)
40. French painter's monogram
41. Conjunction
42. Compass point
43. Wind off island
44. The (Fr.)
45. Airline inits.
46. Sportscars
48. Drug
49. Alien star
50. Small state zip
51. Govt. "clean-up" group
52. Biblical judges
53. Greek letter
54. Head in sand (2 wds.)
58. Turkey days

### DOWN

1. Fish part
2. Beatle wife
3. Baseball's Mr. Oct. (inits.)
4. Free-for-all fight
5. Drug term
6. Ford type
7. Eng. port inits.
8. Bruin school
9. Cook
10. Gold meas.
11. Ice (Ger.)
12. Root food
19. Worry
21. 007 actor
22. Ready for action (3 wds.)
23. Unspoken desire (2 wds.)
24. Decorative trim
25. Journey
26. Plant part
28. Glutton (2 wds.)
29. Sports
31. Oral device
32. Baltic native
38. At rear (naut.)
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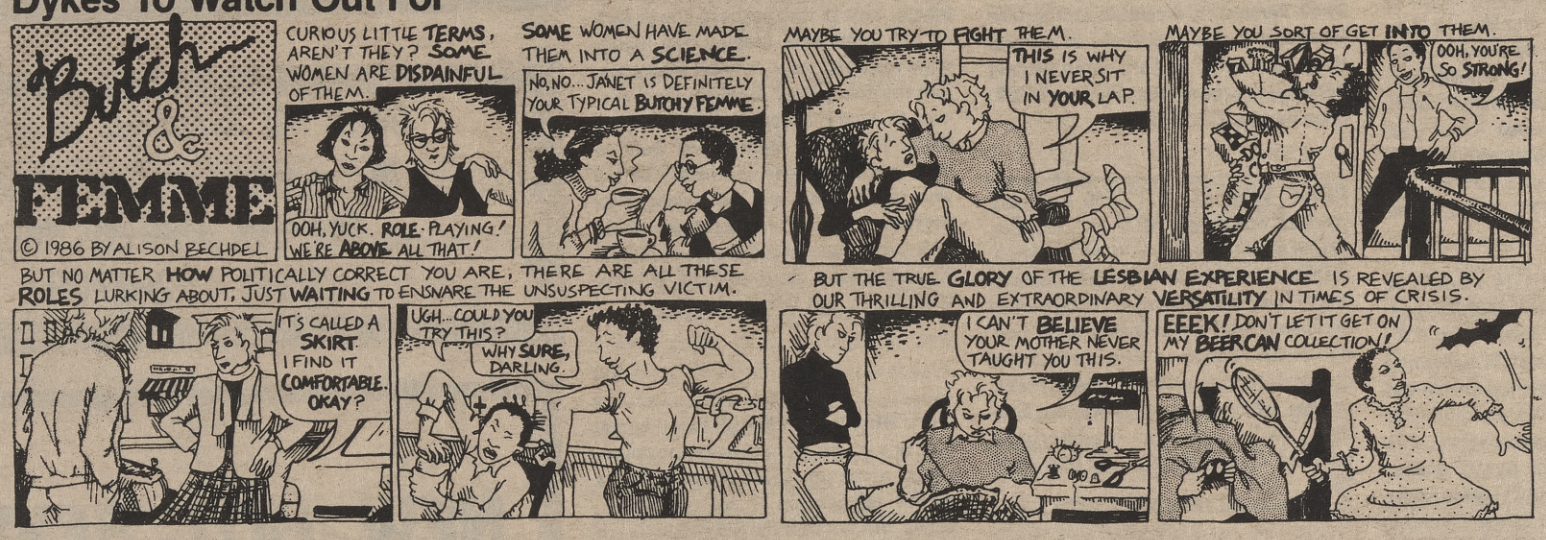
Bitch & FEMME
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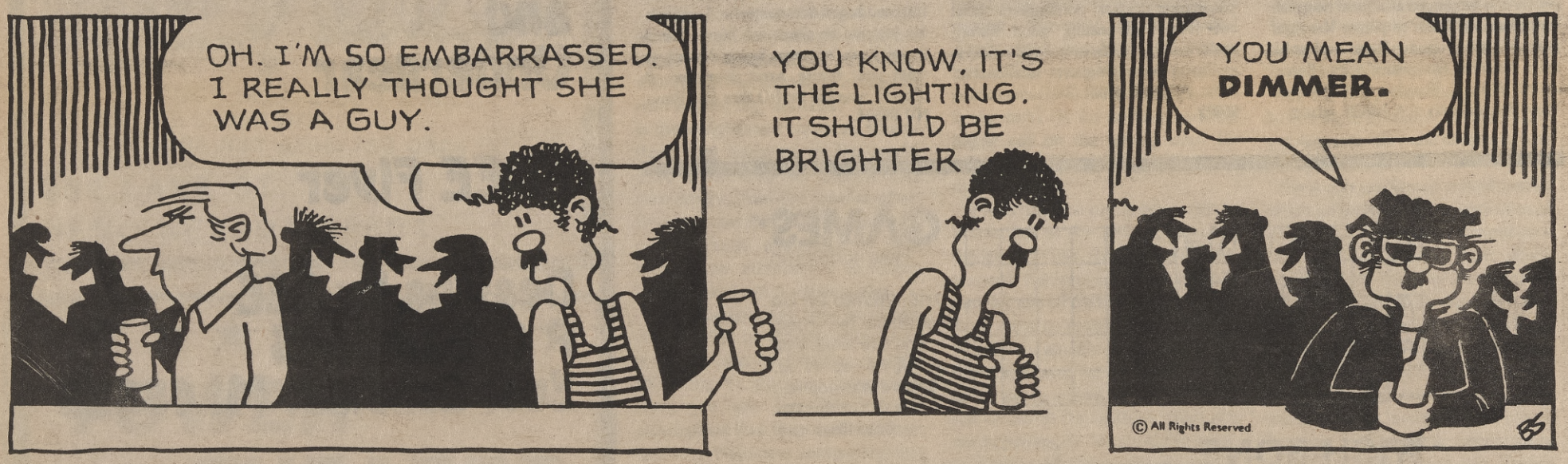
CURIOUS LITTLE TERMS, AREN'T THEY? SOME WOMEN ARE DISDAINFUL OF THEM.
OOH, YUCK. ROLE-PLAYING! WE'RE ABOVE ALL THAT!
SOME WOMEN HAVE MADE THEM INTO A SCIENCE.
NO, NO... JANET IS DEFINITELY YOUR TYPICAL BUTCHY FEMME.
MAYBE YOU TRY TO FIGHT THEM.
THIS IS WHY I NEVER SIT IN YOUR LAP.
MAYBE YOU SORT OF GET INTO THEM.
OOH, YOU'RE SO STRONG!
BUT NO MATTER HOW POLITICALLY CORRECT YOU ARE, THERE ARE ALL THESE ROLES LURKING ABOUT, JUST WAITING TO ENSNARE THE UNSUSPECTING VICTIM.
IT'S CALLED A SKIRT. I FIND IT COMFORTABLE. OKAY?
UGH... COULD YOU TRY THIS?
WHY SURE, DARLING.
BUT THE TRUE GLORY OF THE LESBIAN EXPERIENCE IS REVEALED BY OUR THRILLING AND EXTRAORDINARY VERSATILITY IN TIMES OF CRISIS.
I CAN'T BELIEVE YOUR MOTHER NEVER TAUGHT YOU THIS.
EEEK! DON'T LET IT GET ON MY BEER CAN COLLECTION!

## JACQUES AND STRAP


OH. I'M SO EMBARRASSED. I REALLY THOUGHT SHE WAS A GUY.
YOU KNOW, IT'S THE LIGHTING. IT SHOULD BE BRIGHTER
YOU MEAN DIMMER.
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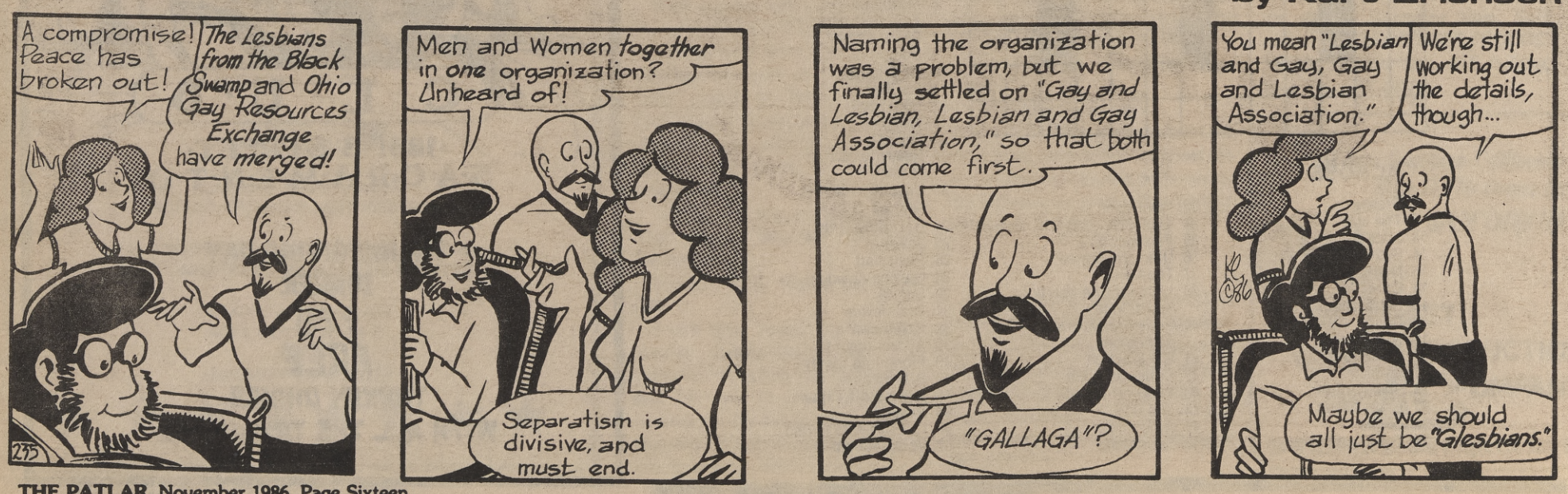
## Guppies

By Kofi

Herbert and I are going to the Bahamas for my birthday. Isn't he a sweetie pie?
Marsha gave me breakfast in bed this morning. She's a doll.
George took me to the most fabulous restaurant last night. He's so romantic.
STAFF BULLETINS
MR. COFFEE
Say Pete, Janice and I are expecting you and George at our dinner party Friday.
Don't forget!
We'll be there!
TELEPHONE, PETE! IT'S GEORGE!
OKAY.
SIGH... if I weren't a married man...
Yeah, me too.
COKE
POP!
But it was so REAL!

## MURPHY'S MANOR

by Kurt Erichsen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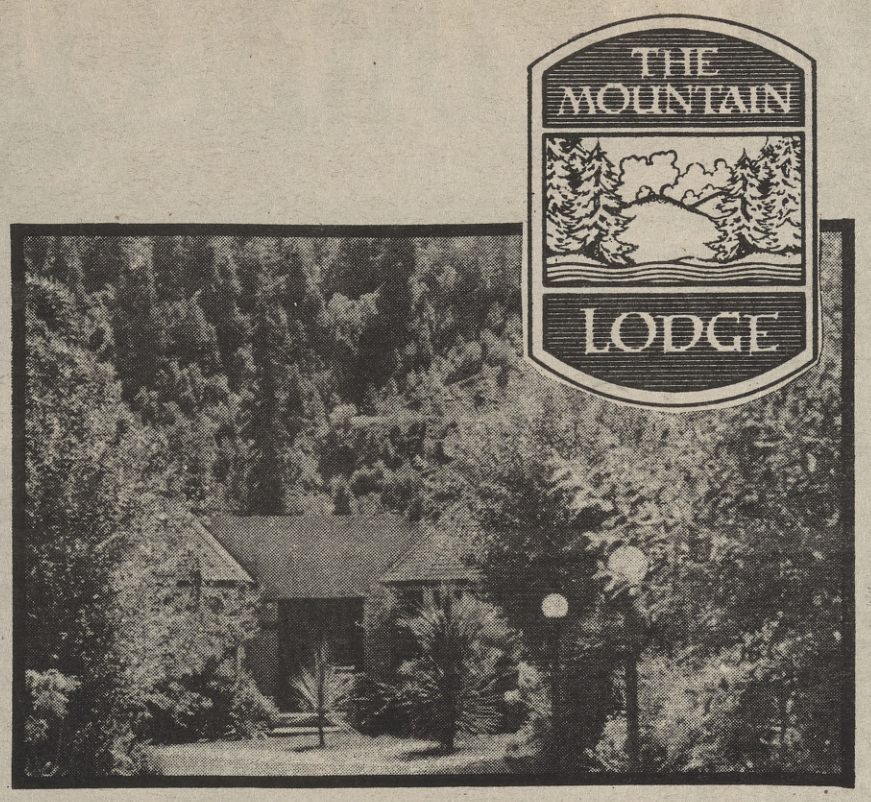


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